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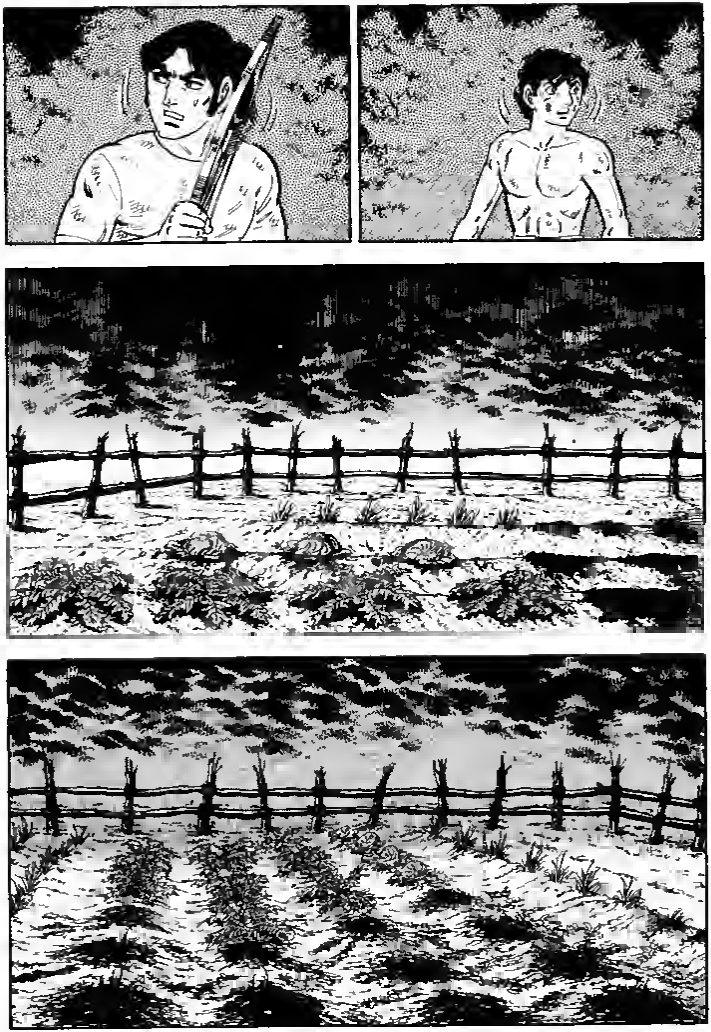

MM... SEEMS THEY FLED...
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THERE'S ANYONE THERE...
STILL... ARE THEY EVEN GONNA COME BACK?
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DAMN IT! IF THEY'D WANTED SOMETHING THEY COULD'VE COME AND TALKED TO US ABOUT IT, NOT JUST GO AND STEAL IT! IT'S TRULY UNFORGIVABLE!
THEY'LL ABSOLUTELY BE BACK
THEY WILL THEY'LL HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY HOW EASILY THEY GOT THINGS THE FIRST TIME
THINK OF ALL THE TROUBLE WE WENT THROUGH TO GET THIS! I'M GONNA CATCH THEM AND TEACH THEM A GOOD LESSON!
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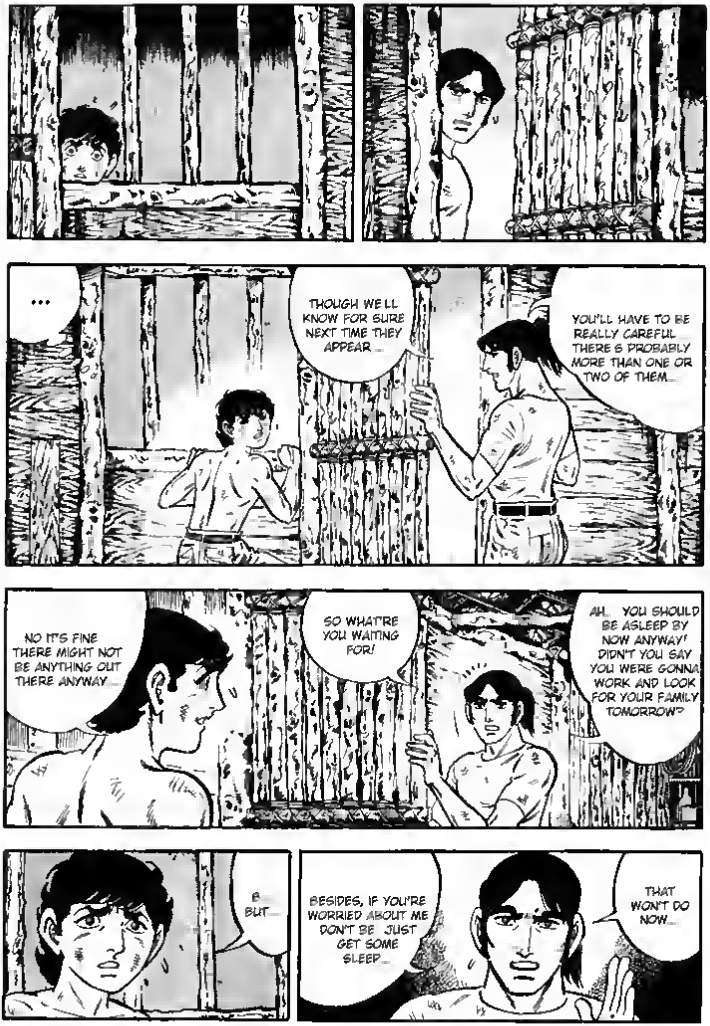
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THOUGH WE'LL KNOW FOR SURE NEXT TIME THEY APPEAR...
YOU'LL HAVE TO BE REALLY CAREFUL... THERE'S PROBABLY MORE THAN ONE OR TWO OF THEM...
NO IT'S FINE THERE MIGHT NOT BE ANYTHING OUT THERE ANYWAY...
SO WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR!
AH... YOU SHOULD BE ASLEEP BY NOW ANYWAY! DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WERE GONNA WORK AND LOOK FOR YOUR FAMILY TOMORROW?
B... BUT...
BESIDES, IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT ME DON'T BE JUST GET SOME SLEEP...
THAT WON'T DO NOW...

OKAY...
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JUST GET TO IT ALRIGHT!

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I KNOW HE SAID TO GET SOME SLEEP, BUT I DON'T REALLY FEEL ALL THAT SLEEPY...
BESIDES, WHO KNOWS WHAT SORT OF GUYS MAY BE COMING TO ATTACK US...

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GET UP, SATORU! COME ON!
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DON'T YOU HAVE WORK TO DO?!
H— HUH HOW LONG HAVE I BEEN ASLEEP FOR—?!

AH T THANK YOU SO MUCH! YOU NEEDN'T HAVE DONE ALL THIS...
IT'S NOTHING PARTICULARLY SPECIAL, JUST STEAMED POTATO!
AH, LOOKING FOR MY FAMILY...
WORK?
WHY'RE YOU STILL HALF ASLEEP! HERE YOUR LUCH
HANG ON TO IT NOW...
THANK YOU!
NOT AT ALL, THIS IS A GREAT FEAST!

HAVE THE THIEVES STILL NOT TURNED UP SINCE LAST NIGHT?
AAH... I GUESS IT WAS TOO TOUGH FOR THEM TO GET BACK RIGHT AWAY...
STILL, THEY'LL BE BACK!

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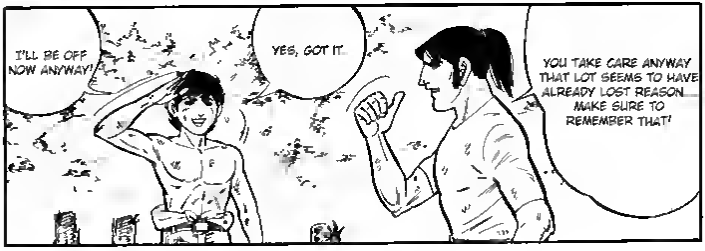
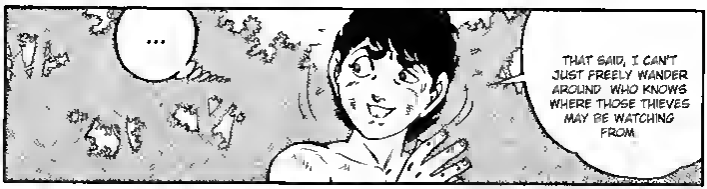
THERE'S NO WAY THEY'LL BE DONE JUST LIKE THAT!


I'LL BE OFF NOW ANYWAY!
YES, GOT IT.
YOU TAKE CARE ANYWAY THAT LOT SEEMS TO HAVE ALREADY LOST REASON. MAKE SURE TO REMEMBER THAT!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THAT SAID, I CAN'T JUST FREELY WANDER AROUND. WHO KNOWS WHERE THOSE THIEVES MAY BE WATCHING FROM.

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I'VE ALREADY WALKED FOR AGES THOUGH...
PEOPLE COULD LIVE THERE OVER BY THE WATER BUT... THERE'S NO SIGNS OF ANYONE NEARBY
TIME TO EAT!
SO I GUESS I'LL HAVE SOME FOOD NOW.
I IMAGINE THEY'D HAVE BEEN JUST LIKE HIM!
TATSUNO-SAN'S... A GOOD GUY. I OFTEN WONDERED WHAT IT'D BE LIKE TO HAVE A BROTHER...

...
I WONDER JUST WHO MUM AND THE OTHERS ARE LIVING WITH NOW...?
SOME SURVIVORS MAY ALREADY HAVE BUILT A VILLAGE SOMEWHERE...
MUM, DAD AND SIS COULD BE THERE...
LIKE HOW TATSUNO-SAN AND I ARE LIVING
IF YOU WANT TO LIVE LONG, THERE'S MANY BENEFITS TO BEING IN A SMALL GROUP...
NO... IF YOU'VE TOO MANY PEOPLE TOGETHER YOU NEED LOTS OF FOOD... A MERE KITCHEN GARDEN WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH
JUST LIVING BY THEMSELVES WHILE TENDING A SMALL FIELD
IF SO, MY FAMILY MAY WELL BE...

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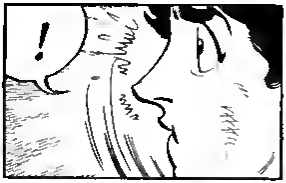
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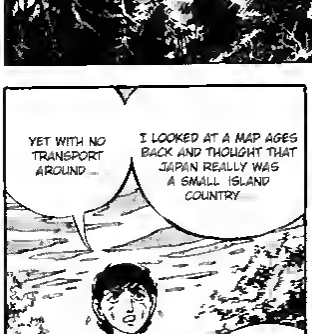
THOUGH THAT'S ASSUMING THEY'RE ALIVE...

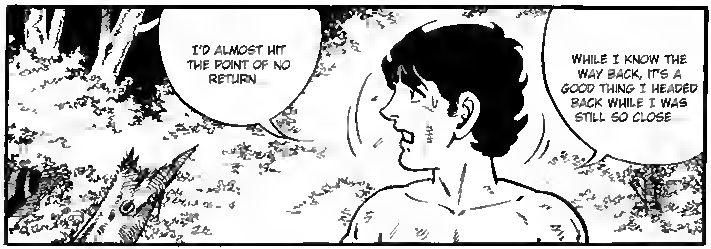
THEY'RE DEFINITELY ALIVE!
IDIOT, THEY'RE ALIVE!

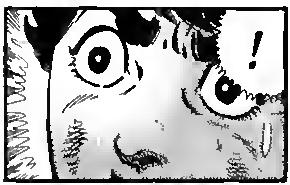

YET WITH NO TRANSPORT AROUND...
I LOOKED AT A MAP AGES BACK AND THOUGHT THAT JAPAN REALLY WAS A SMALL ISLAND COUNTRY...
JAPAN'S HORRIBLY LARGE

THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD WALK ACROSS IT IN A DAY!

STILL... IT SHOULD BE TIME TO GO BACK NOW...
I SHOULD HEAD BACK WHILE IT'S NOT TOO DARK, BEFORE I GET LOST...
THOUGH I'VE GONE THE WHOLE DAY WITHOUT FINDING A THING ON MY... FAMILY
I'D FEEL BAD IF I MADE TATSUNO-SAN WORRY...

I IMAGINE TATSUNO-SAN MUST BE WORRIED...
IT'S REALLY GOTTEN DARK...


I'D ALMOST HIT THE POINT OF NO RETURN...
WHILE I KNOW THE WAY BACK, IT'S A GOOD THING I HEADED BACK WHILE I WAS STILL SO CLOSE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IT'S THE VEGETABLE THIEVES! I HAVE TO GO AND LET TATSUNO-SAN KNOW!
WHAT'S MORE, THEY'RE SNEAKING ALONG
THEY'RE HEADING TO TATSUNO-SAN'S HOUSE
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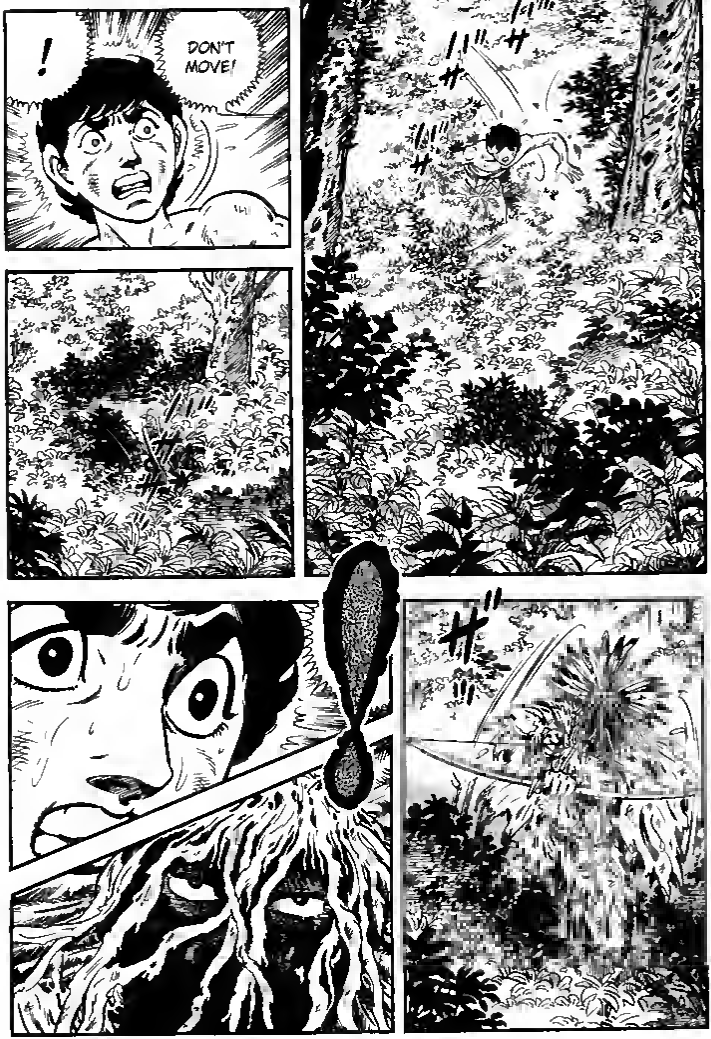
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DON'T MOVE!